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At Omaha two postal cars were dropped, and the remaining two, with thirteen tons of mail, came on. Here there were added a dinner, a Portland sleigh and a San Francisco sleigh. General Superintendent Bell, the general manager and superintendent of the C. B. &amp; Q., left the party. General Manager Dickinson, of the Union Pacific, took charge of the car. The party was also joined by Mr. C. E. Brown, advertising agent of the Union Pacific, and a correspondent of the Omaha Bee. At Denver, correspondents of the News and Tribune were taken on. Ogden was reached on time with the mail distributed along the line. Here the party was joined by James L. Wilder, superintendent of the eighth division of the railway mail service, and the correspondents of the San Francisco Call and Examiner. The train arrived at Oakland pier on schedule time, and San Francisco mail, which had previously reached the city at 7:30 P. M., too late for distribution, was placed by carriers in the hands of the public by 10 o'clock the previous forenoon, making a virtual gain of twenty-four hours for practical purposes.

The actual time of the fast mail is therefore, from New York to Portland, 106 hours; New York to San Francisco, 108 hours, 45 minutes; Portland to New York, 99 hours; San Francisco to New York, 110 hours, 30 minutes.

## CAPTAIN WHITE TALKS.

Captain James E. White, whose office is in Chicago, is superintendent of the sixth division of the railway mail service. His jurisdiction extends from Chicago westward to Denver and Huntington. Captain White spoke briefly of the fast mail project to a reporter.

"It has been the wish of the department," said he, "to secure the best and quickest possible service for the people's mail which the improved and increasing facilities of the transportation lines will provide. The fast mail service is one which, though valuable beyond estimate in its results, has yet been attended with no little hard work and diplomatic efforts on the part of department officials.

In spite of the remuneration which the railroads receive for this training, it is always with reluctance that they take hold of each new feature. There have been prior to the inauguration of the present new departure, an Atlantic coast fast mail from Maine to Florida, one from New York to Omaha, one from Chicago to Minneapolis, from Chicago to St. Louis, thence on to Kansas City. The Pacific project has long been dear to the department's heart, and the Union Pacific was finally prevailed upon to begin at Omaha and bring it west. Then we opened negotiations with the Southern Pacific. These at length have borne fruit, and the service is a fact. Of course one indentation for the Pacific coast service is the Portland steamer and the San Francisco steamer. The one from Portland is limited to first class travel. It makes connections with the fast express at Omaha. From this point on there is nothing but mail carried by the fast mail. The new steamer service saves practically a day in going to or coming from Chicago."

"What is the route of the transcontinental service?"

From New York to Chicago over the New York Central and Lake Shore and Michigan Central. From Chicago to Omaha, the Burlington, from Omaha the Union Pacific, from Ogden to San Francisco the Southern, from Green River to Portland the Short Line.

## THE INCREASED FACILITIES.

The mail arriving in Portland at 7 A. M. connects with the Northern Pacific train for Tacoma, arriving there at 7:30 P. M., and connects with steamers for Seattle, Whidbey, Victoria and intermediate points. These places have their mail delivered twenty-four hours earlier than ever before. "Going the other way the same connections are made with the fast mail for the East. The mail which, under the old arrangements, was delivered in Chicago at noon, in New York at 7:30 P. M. and in Boston at 10:35 P. M. of the sixth day, now reaches Chicago at 7 A. M., New York at 10:30 A. M., and Boston at 2:30 P. M. of the sixth day from San Francisco and the

## FIFTH DAY FROM PORTLAND."

Thus it will be seen, that inasmuch as this east bound mail has been arriving in New York and Boston too late in the evening for distribution, it now reaches New York in the forenoon, Boston early in the afternoon, a practical gain to the business public of 24 hours."

Through Pullman sleeping cars and dining cars; also latest improved tourist sleepers through to the East via Northern Pacific railroad. Office, No. 121 First Street, corner Washington.

every attention by the post office authorities and the railroad officials. Leading points of interest were visited, and the party expressed themselves as delighted with their stay. During the afternoon the whole delegation stood for their picture at the Imperial gallery. A "group" photograph was taken, 18x22 inches in size. The members of the party are a jolly crew, as hard working reporters and railway men are and deserve to be when on duty.

MRS. MC CALLA'S STATEMENT.  
She Says That She Only Dashed Away Half of Her Interest in Her Father's Estate.

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PORTLAND, ORE., Nov. 22, 1889.TO THE EDITOR OF THE OREGONIAN:  
Referring to the article in your paper of this morning, I say that such is not the case. I have written to the United States Commissioner of Immigration, Hon. J. J. Jones, and others to set aside deeds to property worth \$200,000, which I claim, the defendants obtained by means of forged documents. I am the only son of a man, 82 years old, two days before he died. He died March 22, 1889, and had been sick for years prior to his death.

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The first of the Seattle tide land cases will come up for hearing before the department at Washington, D. C., on December 14.

Foul air was generated in a large sewer in Victoria, B. C., recently last Friday, as to cause an explosion that ruined 500 feet of pipe.

The county court of Gilliam county, in order to put a stop to the depredations of stock thieves, has assumed the reward on each case of conviction from \$50 to \$100.

Vol. 1, No. 1, of the *Stylon*, S. C. H. McGill editor, has been received. It has a large advertising, patronage and presents, therefore, a prosperous appearance.

The sheep raisers of Eastern Oregon are selling off their flocks as fast as they can, more than 100,000 head having been disposed of this past summer and fall.

Mr. George F. Frye, of Schell, announced that he will build a small opera house next spring, superior in every respect to the one that was destroyed in last summer's fire.

Tanner got his second wind yesterday, and in a lamentable waste of words tells how his heart aches to think the pensioner slept in the treasury barrel does not run a bigger streak.

Capt. J. M. Weatherwax, the extensive Aberdeen mill man is putting in a shipyard at that place and a new vessel will soon be built there with a capacity of over 600,000 feet of lumber.

The *Epoch* (*Budget*) is the title of a neatly printed four column folio which will be issued monthly hereafter in Tacoma and in its salutary states that it "will endeavor to be the organ of Tacoma Methodism."

A subscription is being offered at Oregon City to build a good road from that place to Eagle Creek to secure the trade of that growing settlement, which it is present comes to Portland. It will cost about \$2500 to build the road.

A Seattle contrar tried to get 25 men to work one day last week. A police officer took him to a saloon where over 40 men were drinking about. Out of the entire number only four expressed a willingness to labor. Comment is unnecessary.

One of the finer bodies of fir timber in Clatskanie lies between Hunter's Cove and Hunter's creek. It is easy of access, either from Hunter's cove or Rogue river, and will supply the world with timber with millions of feet of the finest of lumber.

The Oregon Pacific traders are within ten miles of the summit of the Cascades. But trains will be running to the forested places in bunches is twelve miles from Mill City, and a few days. Work is going on towards the summit as fast as men and teams can perform.

A lump of coal as big as one's head, from the Nelsburg, affords attention at the office of the *Astorian*. That paper says: "When the railroad is completed to these coal deposits we will no longer be dependent upon the Sound and Australia for our supply, but will have plenty to use and some to sell."

The Scandinavians of Tacoma are about to have a paper published in the Norwegian language. Messrs. Elgås and Jølseth, old newspaper men, the latter formerly publisher of a paper at Moorhead, Minn., have purchased the material, and will begin the publication of one of the Tacoma *Handbooks* in about two weeks.

Major C. M. Barton, clerk of the senate in the Washington legislature, has secured a copyright for, and will shortly issue a legislative handbook, designed to be a most comprehensive and valuable volume, gotten up on the model of the manuals of Pennsylvania and other states, where elaborate manuals are published.

The city council of Eugene at a special meeting made several important changes in the city license. The liquor license was raised from \$400 per annum to \$500. The circus license which was formerly \$35 for the first performance and \$20 for the second was raised to \$100 for the first and \$50 for the second performance.

If the present rush to "stamp" country newspapers in the Willamette valley holds out, the supply will far exceed the demand. It is the easiest thing in the world to get a country newspaper. The *Seattle* *Advertiser*, the *Albion*, is to keep going after it is started, and a poor newspaper in a town is worse for the town than no newspaper at all.

The November number of the *Washington Magazine*, a slender page, editor is out. Its table of contents include an interesting article from H. L. Yester, of an Indian outbreak in Oregon. "Oregon," *Send* by Dennis Clark, *Advertiser*, "A Washington Pioneer," by Charles French, "A. T. W.," by the editor, and numerous interesting notes and articles, together with illustrations of many fine buildings about the state.

"A word of prayer" says the *Astorian* is due to the faithful workers who keep up the telegraph line along the Columbia river. Often it is a tremendous task, and one demanding considerable exposure and consequent danger. Though it is probably the most difficult line in the whole United States to keep up, it is the roughest country street, and it is very seldom that the drivers of the *Astorian* are left with regular morning calls for it.

Columbia county news is the only out in the state that is out with a bank, and there is not a letter opening in Oregon for one month at St. Helens, decays the *Mist*. The county is rapidly settling up and its business interests have increased to such an extent that a bank is necessary. A man having a thorough knowledge of the business and a part of the capital required would receive strong backing from St. Helens business, men, as these begin to put a bank on a firm foundation.

State Superintendent of Schools, E. B. McElroy is now busy sending out the fall supply of gobs to the county superintendents. The following marks, registers, etc., are furnished by the state, viz: district clerks' blank reports; teacher's blank reports, county superintendents' registers and record books (large and small); teachers' school registers; dict. clerks' record books; teachers' blank certificates books, receipt books for teachers' certificate fees, blank receipts books for county school funds) and blank receipts books for county trustee.

First passenger (standing in one's pocket) to his/her man move up and get the half of his seat.

Second passenger—Go slow, long and slow. Specie. Do you know what that means?

Third passenger—If you're a poor boy, I think you'll find it's not so easy to be worth \$100 easy enough.

What's his/her man's saloon?—Yes.

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## THE TOVE.

My little son who looks from the window eyes red and sick in quiet grown-up wise, leaving his bed the seventh time dissolved. I struck him and said "SILENT".  
The old woman was silent, being dead. Thus fearing lest his soul should under sleep I visited him, but he was sleeping deep. With drowsed eyes, hid their ashes yet. I knowed he slept soundly.  
Having over his tears left others of my own; on a table down beside his bed.  
He is not dead, but in death, and the remembrance of what to do.  
We do our joys.  
The great command is good.  
Then, father not lie.  
Then, when we are not matched on the day, we will be sorry for their children.

## The Wife of Iyas.

## Wherein Prosperity is a Bane and Adversity a Blessing.

BY COUNT EGERTON.

In the province of Ustia there lived a Bushman named Iyas. He came from poor parents, and his father died when he was a boy. The possessions of Iyas then consisted of over thirty cows and twenty sheep. Iyas had a good husband who knew how to increase his stock. He and his wife worked from morning till night; they rose earlier and went to rest later than the others and grew richer every year. For five and thirty years they were very diligent and as diligent as the old man. He said: "It must be said: 'Soy and ham' is the best of all." When we were rich we had not an hour's rest, and we spoke with each other of the talk of our sons and daughters. We had so many sons and daughters come to us that we had much pains to entertain them sumptuously, and to give them goodly presents, that after they were gone they would not speak with each other of the talk of our sons and daughters. We had much to do; we had to keep our eyes open that our property be not wasted and destroyed; we had to feed a son and a daughter; we had to feed the cattle which devoured the grass; we had to feed the flocks and drive them away. If we laid down to sleep, we feared that the sheep might crush the young lambs and no rose and winter would come. For though the flocks and herds were many, and we had to provide hay for the winter. And with them there were disputes between us and the old man. He said: "It must be said: 'Soy and ham' is the best of all."

At length Iyas possessed 300 horses, 1500 head of cattle and 1000 sheep. He had men to tend his herds, and maid-servants to tend the animals and make butter, cheese and shortbread. Iyas had still dance of everything, and he was envied in all the country round about. "A happy man, this Iyas," people said; "he has an abundance of everything; he has no need to go for food." Men of rank sought his acquaintance, and at length it was known to have intercourse with Iyas.

From great distances guests came to him, and he received them all hospitably and entertained them freely with meat and drink. Whoever came found kourants and tea and shortbread on Iyas's table. As soon as guests arrived a sheep was made ready, or perhaps two, and it great number of guests, too, many animal were killed.

Iyas had two sons and a daughter, who were all married. While Iyas was poor his children worked with him and tended the flock; but when he had become rich, the sons became fatigued and gave themselves to idleness. The elder was killed in a brawl, and the younger who had taken a hungry wife, would not obey his father, so that Iyas was compelled to sell his property. He gave his son, who had a large family, all that he required, and thereby diminished his own wealth considerably.

Soon thereafter the flocks of Iyas were afflicted with a plague, which carried off many of them. Then Iyas, who was famous, the greater the drought, no hay was gathered, and many cattle perished in the winter. And then the King of Iyas's best horses from the plains, so that his best property was lost.

Others went even worse with Iyas, and his strength was growing less year by year. And as he neared his three score and ten he had to sell his skins and rings, his horses and so forth. Then it came to pass that one day he had nothing more. Most of the old people knew it everything was gone, and in his old age he and his wife must seek service among strangers. Nothing was left to him but the clothing on his back, one coat, and the old woman, Shum-Shemaga, who was the widow of Iyas that he had furnished had gone away to a far land, his daughter was dead, and there remained no one to help the old people.

But one day, a man, named Makhamed, had compassion on them both. Neither poor nor rich, Makhamed had dry shabby and was an excellent man. He remembered how formerly Iyas had been a good neighbor, and he said to him: "Come, I am as strong as I will allow you to have. I am as strong as the wind, and the wind can live with me. And as thy strength will allow thou mayest labor in the field, and in the winter thou canst feed the flocks. And Shum-Shemaga can milk and make kourants. I will help thee, and with you, you shall need any thing else, only the sun and I will provide for you."

Iyas thanked his neighbor and lived with his wife among Makhamed's house guests. At first he seemed hard to them, but after he had been with them he was now a good neighbor, and worked according to their strength. The host found it profitable to have such laborers, for the old people had been masters themselves and understood all kinds of work. But when Iyas had heard his heart that he had soiled his high should have fallen so low.

It happened that there came one time to Makhamed's house a guest from afar, the chief of whom sought a place in Iyas's house. Iyas, who had come with the others, Makhamedshukh told Iyas to kill a sheep. Iyas obeyed the command, prepared the meat and brought it to the guests. The guests ate the meat, drank kourants and then, as a special treat, Iyas, a guest, sat on mats and down cushions, drank kourants from bowls and conversed, while Iyas worked diligently about the house and yard.

As passed by the door, a man who went by the door said: "What is there strange about him?"

"There is nothing which is peculiar. The old man is strong, and in the country about here, he is to his taste; mayhap thou hast heard of him?"

"Assuredly," replied the guest; "his fame has come to me."

"Yes, and now there remains nothing of his strength. He does not eat, and when he does, he also with him, she milks the milk."

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I lived with the old man fifty years. We sang together and played and sang out loud, but within a year and since nothing is left to us at all, as we have to leave, strangers, we have found true happiness, and now no other."

Then were all the guests astonished, and also the old woman. The latter arose and drew the curtain that they might see the old woman. But Shum-Shemaga stood there with folded hands and looked at her old man and the latter smiled. And she proceeded.

She said, "I am not highly for us, but I found it now as long as we were rich. Nothing is now left, we live with the servants, and it is hard to live with them, but we used to have our present."

"What? I will tell thee. When we were rich we had not an hour's rest, and we had to speak with each other of the talk of our sons and daughters. We had so many sons and daughters come to us that we had to much pains to entertain them sumptuously, and to give them goodly presents, that after they were gone they would not speak with each other of the talk of our sons and daughters. We had to keep our eyes open that our property be not wasted and destroyed; we had to feed a son and a daughter; we had to feed the cattle which devoured the grass; we had to feed the flocks and herds and drive them away. If we laid down to sleep, we feared that the sheep might crush the young lambs and no rose and winter would come. For though the flocks and herds were many, and we had to provide hay for the winter. And with them there were disputes between us and the old man. He said: "It must be said: 'Soy and ham' is the best of all."

"Well, and now?"

"Now we stand clear with the Old One (God), live together in harmony and love. We have no dispute about, and no care to serve the host well. We labor as our strength will allow—work with the master may no loss, and we are rich again. When we lay down to sleep, we fear that the sheep might crush the young lambs and no rose and winter would come. For though the flocks and herds were many, and we had to provide hay for the winter. And with them there were disputes between us and the old man. He said: "It must be said: 'Soy and ham' is the best of all."

"Laugh not, my brothers, for this is not good, but the Old One (God) has revealed the truth to us—and not for our own pleasure do we proclaim it to you, but for your profit."

"That is very well spoken," said the mother, "and we have a goodly portion of truth—and the world is written no."

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## THE GATE OF CHILDREN.

How to Keep the Little Ones Well and Happy Cleanliness, Everything.

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Was removed, and the much more important question, "Whence came the mighty race that reared these stupendous piles, and where they now?" is still as deeply involved in mystery as when, in 1617, the first of Caucasian civilization was first plied on the world.

Opinion has run to fantastic conclusions to account for the origin of the builders and founders of these cities of the dark ages, but thus far conjecture and assumption have had the field all to themselves.

Archaeology has arisen to the dignity of a science since the first intelligent information respecting these monuments of a grand social structure was laid before the inquiry. The first to throw new light upon the subject was the Austrian delegate to the diet of 1867.

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## FRENCH TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Vivacious Sketch of a Benevolent Fair and Its Grand Success.

The D-light That the People of Paris Take in Such Things—End of the Great Exposition—Buffalo Bill's Fams

If ever public benevolent fêtes were really grand, it is certainly here where the Fair, correspondent of the New York Times, writes. Every time a free bunch out a hamlet, every time the waters of oblivion sweep away some remote village, Paris deems it dutiful to call together the rank and file of the prettiest actresses, and with this small army of volunteers to conjure up new devices to attract and honor for the more or less distant sufferers. No other city in the world takes this duty so to heart, and it is highly probable that nowhere else would the patient labor be so successful.

Paris loves the pleasure, and all the work is done so generously, with such quiet reserve that the splendor of the scene, the marvelous mise en scène seems to appear by magic—as in some splendid vision of dreamland. To the press may be given all the glory of instinct and imagination, all the fruitful resource of an easy or commanding, and upon this occasion the *Jigaro* can be pleased. I know nothing as yet of his financial result, and the public can neither do better than to be silent. The *Salut de l'Industrie* was the fitting sample for his accommodation of the crowd of strangers half drowsing in the capital, and its size was not the only factor for the inferior still beauty of almost all the decorative splendor created by M. Alphonse for the *Odé* of Auguste Holmès. This was a famous beginning, making necessary a majority of outline in its decoration that old brilliant *Odé* was.

It cannot be said that the *Jigaro* met with much preliminary encouragement. The exhibition has been a six months' dissipation the summer has given no rest, the public seems tired, the press is not yet fully up to the mark, and the *Odé* has not yet

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## GREAT WORK FOR HUMANITY.

It is believed that George Koenan's articles in the *Century Magazine*, with their telling illustrations by George A. Frost, have had much to do with bringing about the decision on the part of the Russian government to abolish the Siberian exile system. Mr. Koenan spoke it. Philadelphia on the subject, not long ago, and expressed the full faith in seeing this horrible system abolished; but since then the news has come that Russia has decided to abolish it, and the Philadelphia *Press* thinks that the work of Messrs. Koenan and Frost has been the chief agency in leading up to this result. It says: "Possibly the authorities at St. Petersburg learned of the real horrors and cruelty of the exile system for the first time in these publications. They certainly never expected such a revelation when they banished Koenan to make an investigation. No other foreigner ever enjoyed the same facilities for getting at the true state of affairs in Russia's prisons and Siberian mines as Mr. Koenan and his brilliant associate, George A. Frost, and they made the most of these opportunities. In great discomfort and frequent peril they pursued their inquiries in the face of unscrupulous and often opposing officers, in unwholesome and offensive prisons, in extreme heat and extreme cold, so that they might be able to tell civilized humanity what educated men and delicately reared women suffered for opinion's sake in that vast sub-Arctic area of the earth's surface which Russia uses as its prison-house."

"It would be a glorious triumph and a rich reward for the long journeys and painful investigations of Koenan and his companion Frost should the commanding evidence which they have laid before the world lead the Russian government to put an end to this system. The triumph will be the more complete, however, if the result proves to be only a greater overcrowding of the wretched prisons of Imperial Russia. There is ground for the hope, however, that Russia will not stop half way. The desire to stand well in the estimation of civilized nations, which prompts her to close her courts of justice and put an end to the long and painful journeys of convicts to Siberia, will not permit her simply to change the form and place of the cruelties with which the Russian penal system is reproached. It looks as though there were better conditions for prospect for the man and woman condemned under the autocratic government of the czar, and that the overthrow of one of the worst features of Russian despotism is destined to be added to the long list of the successes of American journalists."

## CRIMINAL CARELESSNESS.

Carelessness in regard to handling firearms, together with the fact that the pistol is the accredited accompaniment of the modern high-pecker, to be whipped out on trifling provocation or dropped out without provocation, to the peril of the bystander, readers action by the authorities should be the protection of the public commandments. The excuses, "I am sorry," and "I didn't mean to," become empty phrases the moment when the consequences of the accident for which they made this flimsy apology are of minor significance, but when, as is too often the case, death is the result of such carelessness, such apology is worse than meaninglessness.

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And yet the New York presbytery voted Dr. Shedd down, because reason taught them to recoil with terror from doctrines that seem to them inhuman and in conflict with the divine attributes of love, mercy and justice. Does the critic of the *Oregonian* see no more drift to rationalism in this re-publication of Calvin than it finds in the days of Calvin or Wesley? When the Unitarians separated from the orthodox churches in 1816 was not that a step in the direction of rationalism? When, under that Luther of Liberal Unitarianism, Theodore Parker, the second church, began to eliminate all supernaturalism from their pulpit talk, was that not another day's march toward rationalism? The Unitarian church in America is the instance of heresy, not of orthodoxy, and she has been the most zealous and enthusiastic of all the sects in America.

The kind of whether they are having already in Kansas, may be gathered from a story that comes from Morgan county, in that state. About a week ago a blitzkrieg, accompanied by heavy snow, it caught many people short of fuel and food. Among them was a family named Fenn. A relief party came to the door and found it locked, and the place had the appearance of being deserted. The party was just about to ride away, when a dog set up a terrible howling, and began scratching the snow near the corrals. The searchers soon found the body of Fenn. They returned to the house, broke open the door, and found Mrs. Fenn lying on the floor unconscious, and her two little girls dead. Mrs. Fenn died before anything could be done for her. A boy about twelve years old was not in the house and the party at once began a search for him. They came upon the boy in a drift near the house. He had evidently been blinded by the storm in an attempt to find the way to look down at a squatting dwarf in the shape of the transient duds or doll of the hour.

It is not necessary to go to literature and answer Howells by showing that if his indictment of Scott, as the representative of the heroic fiction now become obsolete, is good, it is just as good against Homer, Virgil and Shakespeare. It is easier to answer Howells by an object lesson from our own day. On the 9th ult. New England, state dedicated with appropriate honors of pomp and ceremony a hand-some monument to her dead, lie in their graves at Gettysburg. The government and addresses were made by Senator Edwards and others. The monument is crowned with a fine statue of the soldier who commanded those troops and was wounded in the battle. That soldier was in civil life not a man of consequence. Previous to the war it might have been said of him, as some rich boy once said of Charles Lamb, that he was only a counting house clerk; but like Lamb he proved his capacity to be something better than an honest bookkeeper; he proved his capacity for high military command at a time when soldiers were plenty, but natural generals, of energy, courage and skill, were scarce. He fought his way up from lieutenant colonel to major general of volunteers in four years of hard fighting. He was wounded on the Peninsular in 1862, wounded again at Cold Harbor in June, 1864, and finally lost his right arm at the shoulder while defending Fort Harrison, which he had stormed at the head of his division, from early August, 1864. He came into the army in a poor man, remained a poor man, the subsequent years suffered severe reverses in business and

when he died, a prematurely old, broken, sorrow-sticken man, he was a member of the Soldier Messenger corps of congress, and yet his state appropriated a large sum of money to place his monument at the head of the list of deceased soldiers of the ablest and most gallant patriotic soldier of the history, upon the field of Gettysburg; and a good sum of his old comrades, were to Gutzman to hear Senator Edmunds speak words of grave and earnest panegyric over this little book-keeper, that became a major general and died a gray-haired government panzer, an orderly to congress, who had made him once a comrade of 10,000 men.

Why was all this done a quarter of a century after the war and three years after this soldier slept in his humble grave? Why did his state tax herself for this monument and select his status for its cap stone of honor? Why did this concourse of citizens come from New England to this ceremony? Why were these honors all paid to a man of no culture, of no powers of speech, of no capacity to construct an argument against state supremacy or secession? Why is this close of honor? Why did the audience know that Genesis is not the work of a scientist, but the eloquent speculation of a poet, and as a rational protestant thinker he declines to stand with Carlisle, the man who has first all the fiction of Leibnitz? His father was an English poet, a native of Leibnitz, his mother a Greek woman. He was heir to a large fortune which was lost, and he came to America first settling at Andover, and then at New Haven, where he found general and religious instruction, and resolved to make his home in America. He is now a prominent member of the club in New York, and was refused admittance because he could not say for it in advance.

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**CASTLE BUILDING.**  
What are you but a big, darling?  
Left of me, it's fair,  
As she quietly sits in the earth rug  
And the joy of the sunlight  
Danced on her, so fair!  
I am but a dog, a little dog,  
My little mind rests not,  
And here is the green land,  
And this is a sunny clime,  
I climb up the side.

The brier, little fingers  
With the soft, sweet play,  
And the earth with her soft, g  
In the fading winter day  
What a happy, little mother,  
And all in this life!

An' many little idea,  
The years will at all feet  
May bring full rocky wisdom,  
And the world is a sweet,  
To end it, one has just past me,  
In sun and in heat!

You laugh o'er the boy fallen,  
So easily, falls we rain,  
And the world is a sweet,  
Lying back, back,  
At a road side, and here.

While the heart is shattered tempest,  
It may not hold me—

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A row of human forms  
With faces upturned, white  
And pale, and motionless  
I saw a little girl

The group who sat around  
And looked at the girl  
Could not count them, they were all  
With their heads bowed.

We in the stillness,  
When I stand which is case?  
Dissolve room, I beguile  
Where we had been.

With the light of the moon  
It becomes its art  
It is said the eyes of  
No two no two of these  
Imaginings, in the workshop  
And I only in, shall

—H. H. H.

The History of  
Newnham College.

By Miss Helen Gladstone

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It is hard to begin the history of Newnham College accurately as a single date or its foundation to a single founder, each step is taken in order to supply a definite moment and not in order to carry out a fixed plan which had been preconceived in my complete form. Each was taken or conceived by a number of working founders and benefactors, among whom some have been prominent but to it is of course our enthusiastic gratitude is due. No doubt there has been much manipulation and experiment in the first stages of the college, but it is in the hands of the majority of the pastors, Clergymen picked up with a quickened pulse. It was veined and streaked with shining mica and my interior cubes of mineral it looked like gold.

Other examinations and I had gained a high

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